

and nonprofit private entities to assist such entities in establishing programs, for educating health care providers and the families of individuals with Alzheimer's disease or related disorders, regarding—

- (1) caring for individuals with such diseases or disorders; and
- (2) the availability in the community of public and private sources of assistance, including financial assistance, for caring for such individuals.

#### (c) Award of grants

In awarding grants under this section, the Director of the National Institute on Aging shall—

- (1) award the grants on the basis of merit;
- (2) award the grants in a manner that will ensure access to the programs described in subsections (a) and (b) of this section by rural, minority, and underserved populations throughout the country; and
- (3) ensure that the grants are distributed among the principal geographic regions of the United States.

#### (d) Application

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an entity shall submit an application to the Director of the National Institute on Aging at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information, as the Director may reasonably require, including, at a minimum, an assurance that the entity will coordinate programs provided under this section with the State agency designated under section 305(a)(1) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 [42 U.S.C. 3025(a)(1)], in the State in which the entity will provide such programs.

#### (e) Coordination

The Director of the National Institute on Aging shall coordinate the award of grants under this section with the heads of other appropriate agencies, including the Commissioner of the Administration on Aging.

(Pub. L. 99-660, title IX, §962, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3814; Pub. L. 102-507, §8(a), Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 3286.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Older Americans Act of 1965, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(A)(iii), is Pub. L. 89-73, July 14, 1965, 79 Stat. 218, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 35 (§3001 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 3001 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-507 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The Director of the National Institute on Aging, through centers supported under section 285e-2 of this title, professional associations, and continuing education programs, shall conduct education and information dissemination activities concerning the special problems of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and their families. Such activities shall be designed to enhance the understanding of such problems by individuals who provide care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, including physicians, nurses, psychologists, social workers, occupational therapists, nursing home administrators, nurses, and health care aides.”

### § 11293. Education programs for safety and transportation personnel

The Director of the National Institute on Aging, through centers supported under section 285e-2 of this title, training academies, and continuing education programs, shall conduct education and information dissemination activities concerning Alzheimer's disease and related dementias for personnel involved in ensuring the public safety and providing public transportation. Such activities shall be designed to enhance the ability of such personnel to respond appropriately to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias whom such personnel may encounter in the course of their employment.

(Pub. L. 99-660, title IX, §963, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3815.)

### § 11294. Authorization of appropriations

(a) To carry out sections 11291 and 11293 of this title, there are authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1988 through 1991.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1992 through 1996, to carry out section 11292 of this title.

(Pub. L. 99-660, title IX, §964, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3815; Pub. L. 102-507, §8(b), Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 3287.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-507 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), substituted “sections 11291 and 11293 of this title” for “this subchapter”, and added subsec. (b).

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## § 11301. Findings and purpose

### (a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

(1) the Nation faces an immediate and unprecedented crisis due to the lack of shelter for a growing number of individuals and families, including elderly persons, handicapped persons, families with children, Native Americans, and veterans;

(2) the problem of homelessness has become more severe and, in the absence of more effec-